

COVER LETTER

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Subject: Manuscript Submission – *Applying International Humanitarian Law in the Conflict with the West Papua Liberation Army (TPNPB)*

Dear Editor,

I respectfully submit my manuscript entitled "*Applying International Humanitarian Law in the Conflict with the West Papua Liberation Army (TPNPB)*" for your kind consideration to be published in *Jurnal Penelitian Hukum De Jure*.

This study is highly relevant to the focus and scope of your journal, particularly in the area of human rights policy, as it critically evaluates how national security policies intersect with Indonesia's international obligations to uphold human dignity and humanitarian principles during armed conflict. The article highlights the normative and operational challenges in applying IHL to non-international armed conflicts (NIAC), and it offers legal policy recommendations for harmonizing Indonesia's domestic legal frameworks with international humanitarian standards.

The topic aligns with the journal's focus on international law and national legal policy, particularly on how Indonesia's legal framework accommodates its international humanitarian obligations in the context of internal conflict. This article also offers a legal analysis that contributes to the scientific discourse on state responsibility, non-state armed groups, and civilian protection in armed conflict.

The manuscript is an original work that has not been published or submitted elsewhere. I confirm that there is no conflict of interest related to the research.

Thank you for considering my manuscript for publication. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the important academic dialogue fostered by *Jurnal Penelitian Hukum De Jure*

Sincerely,.

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